



# SENATE BILL 286: Amend Fire Prot. Fees/Union/Brunswick.

2019-2020 General Assembly

<b>Committee:</b>	House Finance. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	<b>Date:</b>	June 24, 2020
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**OVERVIEW:** *For Brunswick and Union Counties, Senate Bill 286 establishes that any portion of a fee-supported fire district that is annexed by a municipality as a noncontiguous area remains a part of and pays fees to the fee-supported fire district.*

**CURRENT LAW:** In Brunswick and Union Counties, when a portion of a fee-supported fire district (1) has been annexed by a municipality, (2) the municipality furnishes fire protection to its citizens, and (3) the municipality has not agreed to allow territory within the annexed portion to be in the fire district, then the portion no longer remains in the fire district. Accordingly, the portion does not pay fees to the fire district.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 286 would make identical changes to the current law affecting Brunswick and Union Counties.

**Section 1** would provide that if a portion of a fee-supported fire district in Brunswick County is annexed as a noncontiguous area by a municipality furnishing fire protection to its citizens, then the annexed portion will continue to remain in, and pay fees to, the fee-supported fire district.

**Section 2** would provide that if a portion of a fee-supported fire district in Union County is annexed as a noncontiguous area by municipality furnishing fire protection to its citizens, then the annexed portion will continue to remain in, and pay fees to, the fee-supported fire district.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This bill is effective when it becomes law and expires on June 30, 2049.

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